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WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
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Diet under Supplementary Nutrition Programme
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has customised the diet under Supplementary Nutrition Programme in fluoride affected areas;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the Government plans to have more calcium based food in Supplementary Nutrition Programme in fluoride affected areas; and
(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SHRIMATI KRISHNA RAJ)

(a) to (d) The interventions for prevention and management of fluorosis mainly include supplementation of Vitamins C & D, Calcium, antioxidants, health education and treatment of malnutrition. Accordingly, for the prevention and management of malnutrition, under the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme, Supplementary Nutrition is provided to Pregnant & Lactating Mothers and Children below six years in order to bridge the gap between the Recommended Dietary Allowance (RDA) and Average Dietary Intake (ADI). The Revised Nutritional and Feeding Norms for Supplementary Nutrition in ICDS Scheme issued by the Ministry on 24.2.2009 provide for fortification of supplementary nutrition with essential micro-nutrients including calcium.

Further, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India, is implementing the National Programme for Prevention and Control of Fluorosis (NPPCF), for the Comprehensive management of fluorosis, including Capacity building for prevention, diagnosis and management of fluorosis cases.

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